

**THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES**

Wednesday, December 7, 2005

4:14 p.m.

Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Family and Children Services was called to order by **Representative Stahl**, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Spade and Polidori.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Clack and Lemmons, Jr.

Representative Vander Veen moved to adopt the minutes of the **November 30, 2005** meeting. The motion was supported by **Representative Pearce**. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Stahl laid **SB 714** before the committee.

SB 714	Birkholz	Family law; parental rights; military parental custody rights; clarify.
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Representative Pearce moved to report **SB 714** with recommendation. The motion was supported by **Representative Polidori**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **7-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Spade and Polidori,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Chairman Stahl laid **SB 892, SB 893 and SB 894** before the committee.

SB 892	Hardiman	Human services; employment and training; work first participation requirements; revise.
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SB 893	Cropsey	Human services; services or financial assistance; sanctions for noncompliance; revise.
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SB 894	Clark-Coleman	Human services; services or financial assistance; requirements for work first participation; revise.
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TESTIMONY

Senator Hardiman, sponsor of SB 892, explained his bill to the committee.

Representative Kooiman, representing the 75th District, was available for questions.

Doug Stites, representing the Michigan Works! Association, submitted a card in support of the bill with some proposed amendments.

Terri Winegarden, representing the Center for Civil Justice, testified indicating neutrality on the bills.

Natalie Riddle, representing the Voices for Michigan's Children, testified indicating neutrality on the bills.

Sharon Claytor Peters, President and CEO of the Voices for Michigan's Children, submitted written testimony on SB 892, SB 893 and SB 894.

Representative Hoogendyk moved to report **SB 892** with recommendation. The motion was supported by **Representative Sheen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **6-1-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen and Spade,

Nays: Representative Polidori,

Pass: None.

Representative Hoogendyk moved to report **SB 893** with recommendation. The motion was supported by **Representative Pearce**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **6-1-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen and Spade,

Nays: Representative Polidori,

Pass: None.

Representative Vander Veen moved to report **SB 894** with recommendation. The motion was supported by **Representative Polidori**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **7-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Spade and Polidori,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Spade moved to excuse absent members. The motion was supported by **Representative Vander Veen**. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Representative John Stahl, Chair
House Standing Committee on Family and Children Services
Malika Abdur-Rashid
Committee Clerk
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19 minutes